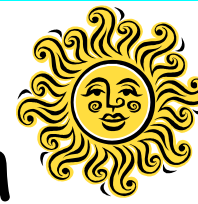




Splash Flash



Mid-October, 2009

WINTER FIGURE MEET

This year's Winter Figure meet will be held on December 5th, hosted by Splash at Hinkley. Please mark your calendar! An exact schedule will be sent out at a later date.

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Madeline Gallagher	10/06
Kyley Rutherford	11/03
Victoria Burdon	11/18
Coach Shari	11/25

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER EVENTS

October 17th – Girl Scouts In Sync Event. 8:30 – 12 noon at Rangeview

October 21st - Board Meeting, 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Hinkley. All parents encouraged to attend!

October 21st – 25th – Masters Natls. Good Luck Coaches Mel & Katy!

November 14th – Girl Scouts In Sync Event. 8 – 10 (abbreviated clinic) at Hinkley HS

November 18th – General Parents Meeting, 5:45 – 8:00 p.m. at Sheridan. One member of each family should attend.

November 26th – Thanksgiving, no practice.

CONGRATULATIONS KENDRA!

The National Team Program has instituted National Team Camps in an effort to include more athletes in the National Team selection process. Congratulations to Kendra for qualifying for the Jr National Team Camp which will be held in Mesa, AZ in December!

GOOD LUCK MASTERS!

Coaches Melanie & Katy will be traveling to sunny Florida the end of this month to compete at the U.S. National Masters competition in Coral Springs, Florida. Last year Melanie & Katy placed 1st in duet! Best of luck to both of you!

CONGRATULATIONS SUPER GIRL!

The first Super Girl of the Month Award was given this past weekend to the Splash swimmer that has shown extra motivation & has been going above & beyond in hard work & extra effort.

Congratulations to the September Super Girl –
Julie Bennett!

YES, PRACTICES

Yes, we will be holding normal practices on Wednesday, 11/25 & Saturday, 11/28.

INCLEMENT WEATHER?

When the weather turns bad on us, we try to decide if we are going to have practice or not as soon as possible. We also understand that with the families so spread out that it could be snowing in one spot & sunny in another – please be patient while we try to figure out the safest thing for all of our families & especially our driving swimmers. We will always try to phone those that live furthest away first.

Safety is always of utmost concern, especially for the swimmers that drive. Parents – if you ever are concerned about your swimmers driving in bad weather, please do the safest thing first – or maybe even help out & drive them to practice!

If you ever have any questions, please call Shari or your swimmers' coach.

BIG SISTERS/LITTLE SISTERS UPDATE

This week all swimmers will be placed with big/little sisters, the list will be posted at the pool. These sisters are meant to be a way for all of the swimmers to get to know each other better, to give each other support, and to build team spirit. Each swimmer will fill out a “Stuff to Know About Me” questionnaire which will be given to their big/little sister.

For the Winter Figure meet we would like for all of the swimmers to give each other good luck cards. These cards can be bought or handmade – we encourage creativity! Thank you for your support!

SPLASH WEBSITE

Missing a newsletter? Not sure about practice times? Where is the next meet?

Please check our website, www.rmsplash.org for updated information.

DID YOU KNOW?

This is a NEW rule!!! Jewelry of any type is prohibited in figure & routine competition. Please be sure to remove any earrings, bracelets, watches, rings, etc. before the competition!

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

The *Splash* Flash is distributed two times every month, as close to the 1st & as close to the 15th as I can get. If you have anything that you would like to add to the newsletter, just write it up or email it to me before those dates.

Also – parents PLEASE share information from the newsletter with your swimmers so that they know what is going on with the team. The coaches try very hard to share information with them, but may not remember every detail. Thank you!

ASSOCIATION

SILENT AUCTION

At the December 5th Winter Figure Meet we will be holding a Silent Auction to help offset costs for Association Members to attend convention. Each team has been asked to provide one basket per team on their team. That means that we will need to provide 3 baskets, other teams will be providing baskets also. We will be deciding on themes for the baskets & asking for donations soon.

BINGO BITS

□ Regarding pickles: we cannot reserve or set aside pickles for any player. At the same time, we are not allowed to state, imply, or in any way indicate to the purchaser of pickles the number or type of tickets that have been redeemed or that remain in the container.

□ We are required to **keep** all \$20 and higher pickles whether they are paid out or played back for 6 months past the quarter in which they were sold. The pickles must be defaced in such a way as they cannot be presented for payment again. We are also required to keep the pickle take-in sheets and the flare cards for them for the same amount of time.

□ No player will be allowed to use more than one electronic bingo device at any occasion, whether for themselves, or for someone else. In other words, they cannot play both a traveler and a tabletop, or two travelers at the same time.

□ The maximum aggregate amount of prizes that we can award at any single occasion is \$2000-- this does not include the progressive jackpot, if awarded, and allowances are made for any jackpots that are split and increase the occasion payout by a few dollars.

□ The maximum amount that we can give away for the progressive game is \$15,000. Once the jackpot reaches that amount, we are required by law to award the jackpot at the next scheduled occasion.

Beck Recreation Center has okayed our team to do private lessons during their open swim time (similar to what we did at Sheridan). Cost for open swim is \$4.00/person.

Beck is located at 800 Telluride Street, Aurora, CO 80011

Coaches' availability is as follows:

Melanie - Wed & Fri, 4-5 pm

Shari – Friday, 4-5 pm

Melanie, Shari & Katy – Saturday 12-1 and Sunday any time between 12-4:50.

Check with these coaches for exact availability as schedules can change week to week.

SPLASH HOLIDAY PARTY

The date for the Splash Holiday Party is Sunday, December 6th. The event will be held at the Roberts Family's Church. Details will be coming out at a later date – but please save the date on your calendar!

PRIVATE LESSONS